

GEN. TRACY IN BROOKLYN.

A SURPRISE AT THE MEETING IN THE

THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR RE-  
CEIVED A HEARTY WELCOME, BUT HIS AE-

APPLAUSE—EX-MAYOR SCHROEDER PRESIDED.

General Benjamin F. Tracy crossed over to Brooklyn last evening, and received his formal welcome from the Republicans there who will vote for him for Mayor on Election Day.

The one sensational incident of the evening was the hearty and prolonged applause for Seth

A vast throng assembled in the Academy of Music to hear General Tracy, Senator John M. Thurston, R. Ross Appleton and ex-Mayor Schroeder, and the reception accorded the speakers was such as they might expect from four thousand persons in sympathy with their statements.

by S o'clock it had been filled, while Halle's band was playing popular airs outside the doors. Many women were in the orchestra seats, the first four rows of chairs having been reserved for the members of the Women's Republican Union League. The scene presented when the meeting was called to order differed in no respect from that on Saturday night, when Seth Loomis was the chief attraction. The decorations were the same, but the band was better. On Saturday

day even if it was a distinctively non-partisan audience, with applause bestowed indiscriminately upon Republican and Democrat. Last night partisanship was the keynote of the assembly. Aside from the generous greetings which General Tracy received when he appeared on the stage, and again when he arose to speak

by the references to the Republican doctrine of protection and sound money. The names of Blaine and Harrison were heartily cheered. One reference to Senator Platt called forth

**PROMINENT MEN PRESENT.**

Among the prominent Republicans in the audience, most of whom were on the platform in the boxes, were Postmaster Wilson, William Berri, Silas B. Dutcher, Sheriff William J. Butler, Walter B. Atterbury, George H. Roberts, Jr., Andrew Jacobs, Justice Jacob Brenner, Justice Andrew Lemon, Commissioner Leonard H. Wells, Congressman Dennis M. Hurley, Assessor William J. Taylor, Colonel John L. Burleigh, William J. McKelvey, Jacob New, Alderman Adam Leich, Senator George W. Brush, John T. Post, Major Augustus C. Tate, Robert W. Fielding, Collector Frank R. Moore, Deputy Collector John Burns, Colonel Michael J. Daly, Commodore David P. Watkins, David A. Badger.

And John G. Turnbull.

Soon after 8 o'clock General Tracy was seen coming down toward the front of the stage. He was accompanied by Senator Thurston, Judge Asa W. Tenney, R. Ross Appleton, Thos. Willis and ex-Mayor Frederick A. Schroeder.

The band played "Hail to the Chief," and the audience arose and cheered wildly for fully a minute. Harry A. Hanbun, after the applause had died down introduced ex-Mayor Schroeder.

**A WELCOME FOR SCHROEDER.**

Ex-Mayor Schroeder received a warm greeting when he stepped forward to speak. It had been a long time since many in the audience had seen him, and he received the welcome due an old friend. The band added to the feeling by playing "Auld Lang Syne." He prefaced his speech by reading the following note from "the first citizen of Brooklyn":

October 11, 1897.

Hon. Theodore B. Willis:

Your kind invitation to be with you this evening received, and I much regret my inability to do so.

I was especially pleased with General Tracy's policy of the Navy, and again with his efforts on Charter Commission, in which

I intend to cast my vote for Benjamin F. Tracy Respectfully, J. S. T. STRANAHAN.

WILL SCRATCH IF HE WANTS TO.

Mr. Schroeder then spoke in part as follows:

All the Mayors heretofore nominated by the Republican party in these cities elected have been business men, men of high character, men of business principles, not forgetting in the dispensation of patronage all the elements of the community. The administration of local self-government has been for years conducted and advocated by men of high character and high ability, men by whom the great public works of these cities have been planned and carried out. The Republican party, now paraded as new by the latest party, formed from fragments of the Republican party and of the Democratic party, has no connection with the administration of affairs by Republicans and I can remember no instance where the interests of the community have been equal. I have always voted giving a preference to the candidates of the Republican party.

My preference had been for one whom I and many others considered an available candidate for Mayor. When he consented to the consideration of his name, he declared that he would be willing to become a candidate if he should prove to be a unifying force among the elements opposed to Tammany Hall. There was no doubt as to the fact that at that time there was considerable dissension among the elements organized among those elements of the city organization, and intended that the Republican City Convention should become a party to his nomination before he would accept.

as a proper candidate for Mayor, most of the under the pretence or with the understanding that the recommendation was for the Republican organization. But before he would permit any activity, or allow any consultation with the Republican he announced that the only candidate he would put forward himself, in his judgment further-

He took the signatures as determining his absolute nomination, and felt that he had a first mortgage on the Mayoralty which he could cash for foreclose on Election Day. This was practically his position, based on all the facts of the dependence with which he had surrounded himself.

AND SO TRACY WAS CHOSEN.

We, of Brooklyn, were willing to overlook his shortcomings, for he appeared to be the only man available to wage a successful contest against the Tammany Democracy, but over the river in New-York his respectable, and inconsiderate conduct was

And so General Tracy (applause), a man of paramount ability and fitness, was chosen as our standard-bearer, and I am here to-day to give my cheerful support to him, both as the candidate of our party and as the one best equipped to fill the position for which he is nominated. (Applause)

confidence of the people. These men are nominated Low, and Schleren, and Wurster, Strong. They will administer the government of this city on business principles, and brought dishonor to the city or their party, and all shall hold in high esteem to-day. (Voice—"And so Schroeder," followed by applause).

And now General Tracy, the brave veteran, the ex-Secretary of the Navy and President of the Charter Commission, who fought his way, buffeted about by the varying humors of fate, to prominence and renown, has consented to lead you and give you victory or defeat with you in this fight for good

**BEWARE THE FOG OF THEORIES.**  
Let not the hairsplitting theories concerning direct responsibility to the people, or to a party, or to a "boss" befog your judgment. Resent as you should the wicked slander charging our candidate with the want of proper manners wherein the administration of the trust committed to him would be governed by any other agency than the dictation